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Amend the bill in section 1 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 18 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "authorized" the following: 'until June 30, 2010'

SUMMARY

This amendment authorizes Rockport College, which was renamed Maine Media College in the bill, to confer degrees until June 30, 2010. Additional legislation is likely to be introduced to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature to continue the college's degree-granting authority beyond the June 2010 date. The bill is an emergency not for the reason articulated in the bill summary, but because the school needs authorization to grant current students degrees from a state-approved institution. State authorization is also needed for students to receive federal financial aid.